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For : ANTIBODIES CAPABLE TO  
SELECTIVELY DETECT PRION PrP<sup>Sc</sup>  
ISOFORMS



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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231  
Box: Missing Parts

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 7, 8, 9, 11 and 16.

Please amend claims 1-2 and 12 as follows:

1. (Amended) An antibody capable of selectively binding to a three dimensional conformation provided by the C-terminal part of the PrP<sup>Sc</sup> isoform of the prion protein or a portion thereof, while not binding to the PrP<sup>C</sup> form.

2. (Amended) The antibody according to claim 1, wherein the C-terminal part comprises a region of the prion protein ranging from about amino acid no. 190 to amino acid no. 214 of the prion protein, or variants thereof, obtained by substituting or omitting or